

CONNECTIVE TISSUE GROWTH FACTOR-3

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a novel connective tissue growth factor-3 protein which is a member of the growth factor superfamily. In particular, isolated nucleic acid molecules are provided encoding the human connective tissue growth factor-3 protein. Connective tissue growth factor-3 polypeptides are also provided as are vectors, host cells and recombinant methods for producing the same. Also provided are diagnostic and therapeutic methods for detecting and treating connective tissue related disorders.